

Office of the City Clerk

Weekly Report – for Week Ending August 3, 2018

OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK - PROJECT HIGHLIGHTS AND STATUS

Elections

Outreach staff provided voter registration information and assistance to new Americans at the naturalization ceremony held at the LA Convention Center last week. Close to 900 attendees received voter outreach.

This week outreach staff set up an informational table at the 23rd Annual Central Avenue Jazz Festival held July 28 and 29 in Council District 9 and reached over 350 residents. Additional outreach events this week included the Disability Pride Fest in Council District 11 on July 28.



Neighborhood Council (NC) Elections

Updates are being made to the Candidate Filing Application that will eventually feed into the Candidate Filing Portal. Staff has been making initial contact with their assigned Neighborhood Councils to remind them of the August 1 submission deadline for their NC's Election Worksheet.

Elections staff attended the Board of Neighborhood Commissioners' first of four Town Hall meetings to receive feedback from stakeholders regarding recommended NC program changes proposed by Councilman Ryu. The next Town Hall is scheduled for August 7.

Business Improvement Districts (BIDs)

Ballot tabulations were conducted for the BLQ-Pico, Melrose, Historic Core and Greater Lincoln Heights BID renewals. The results are:

| BID Name | Yes | No |
|-----------------------------------|-----|-----|
| BLQ-PICO 2019-2028 | 69% | 31% |
| Melrose 2019-2028 | 65% | 35% |
| Historic Core 2019-2028 | 91% | 9% |
| Greater Lincoln Heights 2019-2023 | 83% | 17% |

A feasibility study is underway for the proposed Hollywood Route 66 BID.

Refund checks will be mailed this week to property owners in Venice covering the period of time assessments were collected, however the Venice BID was inactive.



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Records Management

Archival Activity

A researcher from the Royal College of Art in London studied records pertaining to public art in Los Angeles. Researchers from the University of Texas continued their study of the history of water policy in Los Angeles.

Systems

Staff completed the modification of the Administrative functions for the Neighborhood Council candidate filing portal. Updates include the ability to modify the business rules driving the ballot style algorithms. Previously, Systems staff was required to update the underlying data tables using programming tools. Users can now update data through the application using familiar screen layouts without IT staff intervention.

Neighborhood Council (NC) Funding Program

Almost two-thirds of the 97 NC's have submitted FY18/19 Administrative Packages allowing them to begin using this year's allocation. Those who have not completed their packets have until September 30 to do so before corrective measures are taken. To date, \$181,336 has been expended system-wide.